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- 1. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/622,378;
- 2. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/882,135;
- 3. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/942,233;
- 4. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/943,040;
- 5. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/942,459;
- 6. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/942,254;
- 7. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/942,458;

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8. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/942,524; and

9. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/942,502.

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1. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/942,524;

2. U.S. Patent Application No. 11/525,059;

3. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/462,085;

4. U.S. Patent Application No. 11/465,938;

5. U.S. Patent Application No. 11/275,103;

6. U.S. Patent Application No. 11/824,550; and

7. U.S. Patent Application No. 10/622,378.

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